

I. Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A guide loop for a safety belt ~~on~~ for a motor vehicles, comprising: a guide element provided with a guide slit for the safety belt, ~~which is the~~ guide loop adapted to be fixed to a component of the vehicle body by a fixing screw having a screw head having a first external diameter and a screw shaft having a second external diameter smaller than the first external diameter, and an adapter having a displacement body which blocks a portion of the guide slit when the adapter is mounted to the guide element, thereby ~~for~~ limiting the slit height of the guide slit, whereby the adapter is coupled to the inside of a fixing hole of the guide element, and includes an opening penetrated by the fixing screw inserted through the fixing hole, the fixing hole being formed by a bore, whose ~~cross-section~~ internal diameter is selected to be smaller than the first external diameter of the screw head and slightly larger than ~~an~~ the second external diameter of the screw shaft in order to maximize the overlap between a bearing surface of the guide element and the screw head of the fixing screw, wherein the fixing hole also includes a plurality of grooves distributed about the circumference of the bore ~~into~~ through which fixing arms of the adapter, ~~pointing~~ oriented in an axial direction of the bore, extend ~~when the adapter is mounted~~ to mount the adapter to the guide element.
2. (Previously Presented) A guide loop according to Claim 1 wherein the fixing arms are formed as to be elastic within certain limits.

3. (Previously Presented) A guide loop according to Claim 1 wherein the fixing arms include a hook-shaped structure at their free ends, the structure pointing outwards in a radial direction and engaging the guide element when mounted.
4. (Previously Presented) A guide loop according to Claim 3 wherein the fixing arms or the hook-shaped structure are provided with a guide chamfer.
5. (Currently Amended) A guide loop according to Claim 1 wherein the grooves are evenly distributed around the circumference of the ~~boring~~ bore.
6. (Currently Amended) A guide loop according to Claim 1 wherein the fixing arms form a circle with a slightly smaller internal diameter than the internal diameter of the ~~boring~~ bore when the adapter is mounted.
7. (Currently Amended) A guide loop according to Claim 1 wherein the fixing arms are positioned relative to the displacement body in such a way that ~~a basically~~ an approximately constant slit height of the guide slit results when the adapter is mounted.